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1. In the late summer of 1953 there were Chinese Communist soldiers stationed at the following places in southwestern Sinkiang:
 - a. Mintaka Karaul (N 37-08, E 75-01) - 65 soldiers, about half of whom were Tungksans.¹
 - b. Beyik (N 37-11, E 75-15) - 7 soldiers, acting as watchmen at the military post.
 - c. Dafdar (N 37-21, E 75-25) - 13 soldiers, acting as watchmen at the military post.
 - d. P'uli (N 37-47, E 75-14) - about 400 soldiers at the fort, commanded by LIU Chu.
 - e. Tar Bashi (N 38-07, E 75-33), Chihil Gumbaz (N 38-09, E 75-51), Kungai (N 38-15, E 75-57), and Qarawal (N 38-35, N 76-10) - small military checkposts, each manned by a few watchmen.
 - f. Aktala (N 38-28, E 76-01) - a small checkpost manned by two soldiers. The old fort had been abandoned.
 - g. Ighiz Yar (N 38-41, E 76-13) - a fort with approximately 300 soldiers, most of whom were mounted.
 - h. Yingchisha (N 38-56, E 76-09), where the roads from Sooh'e (N 38-24, E 77-15), Kashgar (N 39-29, E 75-58) and P'uli converge - 700 soldiers and 300 police.
 - i. Sooh'e - approximately 1,000 soldiers, commanded by CHIN Liu-jin, and

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2,000 police commanded by Sadiq.

2. At P'uli the chief civil official (amban) was Khada Birdi, and the chief police officer was Abdul Rahim.² The chief civil authority (dotai) at Soch'e was Kasin Jan Razvi.³
3. Local residents of Yingchisha stated that a road, passable for jeeps, had been completed between Oi Tagh Aghzi (N 39-02, E 75-34) and Tash Malik (N 39-07, E 75-37), with the exception of a bridge across the Gez River, which was to be finished during the low water in the winter of 1953-1954.
4. At Rang (N 37-23, E 75-23), on the Dafdar-P'uli road, there were new survey pillars which appeared to show the outline of a proposed airfield.
5. At Soch'e planes could be heard overhead about once a week. Local officials reported that there was a weekly air service between Soch'e and Kashgar.
6. In the late summer of 1953 a dam was under construction across a small river at Kizil Bazar (N 38-40, E 76-33). South of the town there was an installation which the local residents reported to be an oil and kerosene refinery. From the Yingchisha-Soch'e road seven or eight chimneys could be seen, with smoke pouring from them, and the sound of machinery could be heard.

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Comments

- 25X1A 1. In [REDACTED] travelers in Sinkiang reported that all military forces at the border posts in southwestern Sinkiang, except officers, had been replaced by Tungkan.
- 25X1A 2. Abdul (Abdur) Rahim was reported in [REDACTED] c. paragraph 4, as police chief at Kashgar. [REDACTED] reported the officials at P'uli as Zin Noon, military and police commander, and Jugum Kilidi, magistrate. See also [REDACTED]
- 25X1A 3. [REDACTED] reported Quasim Kambari as governor of Yankand, and Musa as deputy governor, in the spring of 1952. [REDACTED] reported Qasam Jan, possibly the man mentioned above, as dotai of Soch'e (Yarkand). 25X1A

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